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TODAY: EQUIPMENT DONATION TO SISTER CITY TAMPICO, MEXICO

WHAT: Houston Fire Department equipment will be donated to the fire department of Tampico, Mexico, a Sister City of Houston

WHEN: Today, Feb. 1, 2006 at 1 p.m.

WHERE: HFD Logistics - (warehouse entrance on the backside of the main administration building) @ 1205 Dart off Houston Ave.

DETAILS: Mayor of Tampico Mr. Fernando Azcarraga-Lopez will be accepting used fire hose and firefighter gear from the Houston Fire Department. Founder and President of the Houston-Tampico Sister City Assoc. Marco Bracamontes, City of Houston Council Member Adrian Garcia and Fire Chief Phil Boriskie will be giving brief remarks.

This is the second such donation, made possible through a Sister City agreement with the City of Houston and the City of Tampico. In September 2003, Officials from Tampico accepted used items, such as: used gear, hoses, ladders, and small tools from the Houston Fire Department.

The City of Tampico with a metropolitan area population 1-million was made an official Sister City in 2003. The city's paid fire Department employs 52 members.

